

Bus plan gets soft shoulder from the county

PROVO — Utah Transit Authority General Manager John Pingree didn't get any official support from Utah County commissioners Monday for a proposal to bring a bus system to Provo and Orem.

Provo and Orem residents will vote Aug. 21 on merging the Salt Lake-based UTA with the Timpanogos Transit Authority, a non-profit group working to bring mass transit to the county. Voters will be asked to approve a quarter-cent sales tax to finance the Utah County bus system.

While both Orem and Provo have supported the plan, county commissioners have taken no official stand.

Pingree outlined the proposal to the commissioners during a meeting in the county courthouse. They listened but didn't say much more to Pingree than, "Thank you."

Pingree said increased costs for building and maintaining roads, an increasing population, a proven UTA system and the fact that matching federal funds are available are reasons to support the system.

"By putting this issue to a vote we are giving the citizens here the best democratic chance to decide what they want," Pingree said.

He said the bus is an important social service, just as the library and police and fire protection are important.

Provo and Orem residents can register in their neighborhoods Tuesday through Thursday to vote.

UTA critic says transit vote is a confusing 'bamboozle'

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PROVO — State Rep. Samuel S. Taylor, a longtime critic of the Utah Transit Authority, is continuing his crusade against the mass transit system by urging Provo and Orem residents to vote against an Aug. 21 referendum on joining UTA.

Taylor, a Salt Lake Democrat who has been critical of UTA operations since the authority was first organized, said residents of the twin cities are being deceived by efforts to get the referendum passed.

"The people in Utah County don't even know what they are voting for," Taylor said. "I have been getting phone calls from all kinds of people who don't know what is happening and the people there are being bamboozled by the TTA."

The vote will actually be on leaving the Provo-based Timpanogos Transit Authority, which has not been providing bus service, and annexing to UTA, which serves Salt Lake, Davis and Weber counties. A quarter-cent sales tax would fund the system.

An advocate of free bus service, Taylor said people in Orem and Provo should vote for the no-fare system.

"That needs to be put into the referendum wording," he said. "Right now, the way it is worded they don't have a choice about anything."

The wording on the Aug. 21 ballot is: "Shall the City of Provo, in conjunction with the City of Orem: Be annexed to the Utah Transit Authority, a public transit district providing public transportation services in Salt Lake, Davis, and Weber counties, as specified under the laws of the State of

Utah; and at the same time withdraw from the public transit district known as Timpanogos Transit Authority, which is not providing public transportation services in the City of Provo; and impose a sales and use tax of one-quarter of one percent to fund a public transportation system as specified under the laws of the State of Utah, effective January 1, 1985?"

Calling the whole idea a disgrace, Taylor said Provo and Orem residents will be sorry if they pass that referendum.

"I would like to see this thing defeated and put back on the ballot in November worded differently," Taylor said. "This way people are getting nothing for the money they are putting into it."

UTA Operations Manager John M. Inglish said Taylor has been a consistent critic of TTA. He said the referendum wording was carefully studied and the bus system would be a positive addition to Utah County.

"We have held meetings throughout the county and have published all kinds of information about this proposal," Inglish said. "We haven't sensed any of those concerns voiced by Mr. Taylor, who doesn't even live in the area."

Inglish said that for years federal mass transit money available to Utah County has been transferred to UTA coffers because the county had no mass-transit system. He said it's time the people in the area get use out of the money.

"In the broader sense we are looking toward a regional transportation system that will link all the areas of the Wasatch Front," Inglish said. "We feel we are offering good public transit for the residents in Orem and Provo."

If the proposal is accepted by voters next week, buses would be operating in Provo and Orem in January.

2 student officers put on probation, may be asked to resign BYU posts

PROVO (AP) — Two student government officers at Brigham Young University were placed on probation Monday for "improper conduct" and could be forced to resign their elected offices, a university spokesman said.

Public Communications Director Paul Richards said a ruling is expected this week on whether Social Vice President Jeff Havranek and Finance Vice President Dee Conger will be removed from office. He said they have the right to appeal if the decision goes against them.

Richards said no student official has ever been forced out of office at BYU for improper conduct, although some have chosen to step down.

Associated Students adviser Tom Kallunki said a complaint was filed with the University Standards Office against Havranek and Conger on Aug. 6, after a weekend student government gathering at Bear Lake.

"It is a rule that no one can hold an office if they are placed on any kind of academic standards or probation," Kallunki said. "If an appeal is ruled in their favor, they will stay in office. If the appeal is not in their favor, they will be forced to resign."

Kallunki said the behavior of the two students was reported by others at the get-together who considered the action inappropriate for student government officials.

In a statement issued Monday, the Associated Students

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City Council:

Aug. 14, 1984, 8 p.m., City Hall.

Approval of minutes and follow-up items.

9:00 — Ted Gerun, Intermountain Youth Care.

9:15 — Will Jones, final approval of

Orchard Subdivision.

9:30 — Will Jones, Alpine Village Plat B1 and C annexation.

9:45 — Vic Borcherds, annexation.

10:00 — Wayne Patterson, annexation.

10:15 — Harvey Hutchinson, Utah Natural Resources.

Lindon

City Council:

Aug. 15, 1984, 7 p.m., City Hall.

1. Second South Sewer Special Improvement District.

2. Open session.

3. Minutes review and acceptance.

4. Mayor's report.

5. Council reports.

6. Swearing in city treasurer.

7. Report — Public Works Superintendent Don Peterson.

8. State Central Stores account report.

9. Executive session — litigation.

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of BYU declined to describe the questionable behavior "to provide the two student officers the opportunity to exercise their right to appeal."

Havranek and Conger have not, as yet, filed an appeal with the Code of Honor Student Appeals Committee.

Richards said both students are in their fourth year of school. As elected officers, each receives a stipend of \$225 per month plus tuition.

Duties of the social vice president include "coordination of social, wholesome activities and maintaining BYU standards at social functions," Kallunki said. The finance vice president is responsible for "orienting persons using ASBYU funds, approving all expenditures and maintaining an accounting system."

Earlier this year, the government's academic vice president resigned from the 10-member council, citing a heavy academic load.

The students' case went before a

University Standards panel early Monday, and a decision on the resignation question is expected within several days, Richards said.

Y. weight-loss specialist wants chubbies to study

PROVO — Brigham Young University weight-loss specialist A. Garth Fisher is looking for women at least 15 pounds overweight to participate in a four-month weight-loss study.

Those participating must be between 20 and 45 years old, know how to swim and be able to go to the BYU campus four days a week. The program will include hydrostatic weighing, fitness testing, and dietary changes, but not dietary limitations, Fisher said.

Anyone interested can call 378-3981 mornings or 378-3982 afternoons.

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WARDELL, Mr. and Mrs. Ken, Mapleton, girl.

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BUDD, Mr. and Mrs. Eric, Provo, girl.

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